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Examiner: Randall Chin

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims, 38-

Amend claim 12 as follows:

12. A mop comprising:

an elongate shaft having a mopping end and an operator end;

OOL COOL TO THE TOP I a channel body disposed at the mopping end of said shaft and comprising a first channel body leg and a second channel body leg defining a channel therebetween;

an elongate mop element support having a first wing, a second wing, and a link therebetween, said link being hir gedly secured along its length to said first wing and to said second wing, said link having a hinge axis across its width corresponding to the width of said channel, said support being mounted for rotation about said axis within said channel;

a flexible, compressible, liquid absorbent mop element overlying said support and having ends secured to first and second wings respectively; and